

**Senate File 2268 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 2268  
BY COMMITTEE ON REBUILD IOWA

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3097)

**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act relating to disaster recovery case management.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **29C.20B Disaster case management.**

2 1. The rebuild Iowa office shall work with the department  
3 of human services and nonprofit, voluntary, and faith-based  
4 organizations active in disaster recovery and response  
5 in coordination with the homeland security and emergency  
6 management division to establish a statewide system of disaster  
7 case management to be activated following the governor's  
8 proclamation of a disaster emergency or the declaration  
9 of a major disaster by the president of the United States  
10 for individual assistance purposes. Under the system, the  
11 department of human services shall coordinate case management  
12 services locally through local committees as established in  
13 each local emergency management commission's emergency plan.  
14 Beginning July 1, 2011, the department of human services  
15 shall assume the duties of the rebuild Iowa office under this  
16 subsection.

17 2. The department of human services, in conjunction with  
18 the rebuild Iowa office, the homeland security and emergency  
19 management division, and an Iowa representative to the national  
20 voluntary organizations active in disaster, shall adopt rules  
21 pursuant to chapter 17A to create coordination mechanisms  
22 and standards for the establishment and implementation of  
23 a statewide system of disaster case management which shall  
24 include at least all of the following:

25 a. Disaster case management standards.

26 b. Disaster case management policies.

27 c. Reporting requirements.

28 d. Eligibility criteria.

29 e. Coordination mechanisms necessary to carry out the  
30 services provided.

31 f. Develop formal working relationships with agencies and  
32 create interagency agreements for those considered to provide  
33 disaster case management services.

34 g. Coordination of all available services for individuals  
35 from multiple agencies.

1     Sec. 2. BUSINESS DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE.

2     1. A business disaster case management task force is  
3 established to research disaster recovery case management  
4 assistance needed for businesses following a major disaster.  
5 The task force shall recommend steps for preparing to provide  
6 such assistance following disasters.

7     2. The task force shall consult with experts, businesses  
8 impacted by previous disasters, and other interested  
9 stakeholders.

10    3. The task force shall submit written recommendations to  
11 the governor and the general assembly by November 15, 2010.

12    4. The rebuild Iowa office shall provide staffing for the  
13 task force.

14    5. The task force shall consist of the following members  
15 appointed by the governor:

16    a. A representative of the United States small business  
17 administration.

18    b. A representative of Iowa small business development  
19 centers.

20    c. A representative of the safeguard Iowa partnership.

21    d. A representative of professional developers of Iowa.

22    e. A representative of the Iowa association of business and  
23 industry.

24    f. A representative of the Iowa retail federation.

25    g. A representative of the department of economic  
26 development.

27    h. A representative of the homeland security and emergency  
28 management division of the department of public defense.

29    i. Two business owners.

30    j. A representative of the Iowa association of regional  
31 councils.

32    k. A representative of the Iowa emergency management  
33 association.

34    6. Four ex officio, nonvoting members, two from each chamber  
35 of the general assembly, shall be appointed, with no more than

1 one appointed from the same political party from each chamber.  
2 The majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the  
3 senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the  
4 minority leader of the house of representatives shall each  
5 appoint one legislative member. The members appointed under  
6 this subsection shall not be eligible for per diem and expenses  
7 as provided in section 2.10.

8 7. Members of the task force shall not receive a per diem,  
9 shall not be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses while  
10 in attendance at any meeting, and shall not be reimbursed for  
11 travel expenses.

12 8. The task force may conduct meetings telephonically.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill relates to disaster recovery case management.

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16 the department of human services and nonprofit, voluntary,  
17 and faith-based organizations active in disaster recovery  
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